

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Charles A. Vacanti, Joseph P. Vacanti, and Martin P. Vacanti  
Serial No: 10/713,472 Art Unit: 1647  
Filed: November 14, 2003 Examiner: D. Gamett  
For: Guided Development and Support of Hydrogel-Cell Compositions

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2005, please amend the application as follows. Enclosed with this amendment is a petition for an extension of time for three months, up to and including November 18, 2005, and the appropriate fee for a small entity. It is believed no additional fee is due. However, should an additional fee be required, please charge the fee to our Deposit Order Account No. 50-3129.